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### City Efforts to Prevent COVID-19 Transmission

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### **WEAR A FACE COVERING TO PROTECT FROM COVID-19**

Individuals must wear face coverings when outside the home, with limited exceptions. Cloth face coverings or masks help reduce the spread of coronavirus, especially when combined with physical distancing and frequent hand washing.

#### When Do You Need to Wear a Mask

Face coverings are required in the following situations:

- Engaged in work, whether at the workplace or performing work off-site, when:
  - · Interacting in-person with any member of the public;
  - Working in any space visited by members of the public, regardless of whether anyone from the public is present at the time;



Face coverings are required when outside the home, with limited exceptions.

- Working in any space where food is prepared or packaged for sale or distribution to others:
- Working in or walking through common areas, such as hallways, stairways, elevators, and parking facilities;
- While outdoors in public spaces when it is not feasible to maintain a distance of 6 feet from persons who are not members of the same household;
- Inside of, or in line to enter, any indoor public space;
- Obtaining healthcare services at, but not limited to, a hospital, pharmacy, medical clinic, laboratory, physician or dental office, veterinary clinic, or blood bank;
- Waiting for or riding on public transportation or paratransit or while in a taxi, private car service, or ride-sharing vehicle;
- Driving or operating any public transportation or paratransit vehicle, taxi, or private car service or ride-sharing vehicle when passengers are present. When no passengers are present, face coverings are strongly recommended.

### Who Is Exempt From Wearing a Mask

The following individuals are exempt from wearing a face covering:

- Children age two years or under;
- Persons seated at a restaurant or other establishment that offers food or beverage service;
- Persons engaged in outdoor work or recreation such as swimming, walking, hiking, bicycling, or running;
- Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering;
- Persons who are hearing impaired or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired;
- Persons for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines;
- Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose or face for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.

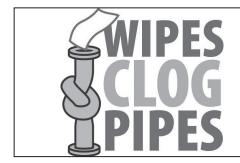


Find community resources to help you through the COVID-19 pandemic.

# COMMUNITY RESOURCES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Many community services and instructions are available online or by phone, allowing you to pay a bill, call a hotline for assistance, or submit requests, applications, and questions via email.

Access this helpful guide to locate community resources: SantaBarbaraCA.gov/CovidResources.



Protect your property and the City's infrastructure by disposing of wipes in the trash. Learn more at SantaBarbaraCA.gov/WTF

# PREVENT SEWAGE OVERFLOWS CAUSED BY FOG (FATS, OIL, AND GREASE)



Prevent sewage overflows by properly disposing of FOG

Pouring fats, oils, and grease down the drain or garbage disposal creates obstructions in underground pipes (private and public) and creates serious problems like blockages and sewer overflows. When washed down the sink, grease sticks to sewer pipes (both on your property and in the streets). Over time, grease buildup can clog an entire pipeline, causing sewer overflows in our community. The damage from overflows

could cost you and the City of Santa Barbara thousands of dollars in repairs.

#### Prevent sewer overflows with these simple tips:

- Do not pour cooking oil, greasy food, dairy products, or salad dressing down the drain.
- Use strainers in the sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids.
- Do not use hot water and soap to try to wash grease down the drain.
   It will eventually cool and harden in the sewer lines.
- Pour cooled grease into a disposable container, cover with a tight fitting lid and place in your freezer. Once contents are frozen, toss in the garbage.
- Mix cooking oils with absorbent material such as coffee grounds or cat litter. Place in tight lidded container and dispose of it in garbage.
- Wipe or scrape food particles from pots, pans, and dishes into the trash prior to placing them in the sink for washing.
- Wipe excess fats and grease from pans with a dry paper towel and toss it in the garbage.

For more information on preventing sewage overflows caused by FOG visit **SantaBarbaraCA.gov/FOG.** 

### DIY (DO IT YOURSELF) GARDENING RESOURCES



Create a beautiful water wise garden with help from our online resources

With so many of us spending more time at home, updating our gardens has become a popular stay-at-home activity. Are you looking to create a beautiful garden that saves you water, maintenance time, and money? Our DIY online garden resources might be just what you need to reach those goals.

If you are considering adding new plants to your garden, now is the time to start planning. Planting in the fall encourages the growth of strong root systems and winter showers help plants get established. Native and water wise plants typically require little maintenance, are well adapted to local conditions, have few pests, and do not require regular fertilizing. Want to find the perfect plants? Visit our Virtual Garden Tours and Plant Database website or download our Water Wise

Native Plants for Santa Barbara County booklet, both available at SantaBarbaraCA.gov/WaterWise.

Our YouTube Channel is another great resource for DIY knowledge. At **YouTube.com/SaveWaterSB** you can find videos on how to water your trees efficiently, how to check your irrigation system for leaks, how to find and repair toilet leaks, water wise garden design, and more.

Ready to upgrade your landscape but need some help? Tune into Garden Wise TV to learn about garden design, pruning, composting, how to check your irrigation system, how to revitalize the microbial life in your soil, integrated pest management, and more. To watch past episodes, view the Garden Wise TV playlist on our YouTube channel.

Whatever your garden goals are, our online resources are here to help you reach them!

### SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF FOOD DURING COVID-19

The food supply chain has experienced disruptions as a result of COVID-19. The shift from eating in restaurants, cafeterias, and schools has caused a much greater demand for food in grocery stores. Many households are facing

challenges in managing food at home and are looking for ways to reduce waste. Now more than ever, it is essential that we prevent food from being wasted and help get excess food distributed to those who need it.

Learn how to properly plan meals, cook with ingredients you have on hand, and store and freeze food to make it last longer. This will not only save you money and ensure that you make the most of your groceries, but also enable you to take fewer trips to the store.

Open your cell phone camera app and hold it up to the QR code to quickly access the EPA's Reducing Wasted Food at Home Tips or visit **SBRecycles.org**.



